The proposals of Cooperative Societies sanctioned by National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) during the years 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 have an estimated 21471 farmers of different categories as members of these cooperative Societies.

Small and marginal farmers benefited by NAIS

2128. SHRI GANDHI AZAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up an exclusive organisation for implementation of the new scheme, NAIS;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) how many small and marginal farmers were benefited from the scheme during 1999-2000, and 2000-2001, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) and (b) No Sir. However, a proposal regarding setting up of an exclusive agency for National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) is under consideration of the Government.

(c) State-wise details of small and marginal farmers benefited are given in the Statement.

Statement

Details of State-wise and Season-wise Farmers Benefited under NAIS

Sl. No.	State/UT	Small and Marginal Farmers Benefited	
		Rabi 1999-2000	Kharif 2000
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Not implemented	97915
2.	Assam	30	40
3.	Bihar	Not implemented	14971

Sl. No.	State/UT	Small and Marginal Farmers Benefited	
		Rabi 1999-2000	Kharif 2000
4.	Chhattisgarh	Part of Madhya Pradesh	245900
5.	Goa	33	58
6.	Gujarat	3368	369210
7.	Himachal Pradesh	—	Nil
8.	Kerala	2688	9029
9.	Karnataka	Not implemented	14439
10.	Madhya Pradesh	1821	249154
11.	Maharashtra	6656	487295
12.	Meghalaya	Not implemented	8
13.	Orissa	15	Claims under process
14.	Tamil Nadu	Not implemented	Claims under process
15.	Uttar Pradesh	Not implemented	83246
16.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	No season	23
17.	Pondicherry	147	—
	TOTAL:	14758	1571288

Direct subsidies to exporters of agricultural commodities

2129. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose for the first time to give direct subsidies to exporters of all agricultural commodities, disadvantaged in the world markets;

(b) if so, whether the subsidies would be paid through a new mechanism, compatible with the agreement on Agriculture; and

(c) if so, by when final decision for export subsidies for farm goods would be taken?